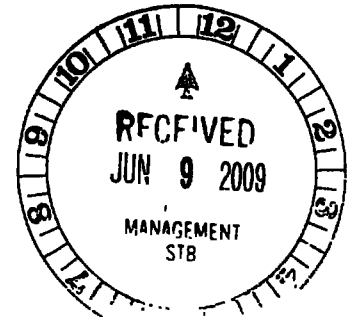


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24 May 2009

Ann K. Quinlan, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. St. SW  
Washington, DC 20423

RE: STB Docket No. AB-1067, (2x), abandonment of portion of Iowa Northwestern Railroad.

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

On 23 Oct 2008 General Railway Corporation dba Iowa Northwestern Railroad Company ("IANW") filed a letter stating our willingness to negotiate with the Dickinson County Trails Board for trail use banking for the portion of the IANW extending from MP 215.4 to 252.3. By decision served 24 October 2008, the STB granted the request.

The negotiating period expired on 24 April 2009. By letter dated 20 March 2009 the Dickinson County Trails Board, with an endorsement signature added by IANW, requesting an extension of the negotiating period until 24 October 2009.

IANW concurs with and independently requests the extension of the negotiating period until 24 October 2009.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John F. Larkin".

John F. Larkin  
President, General Railway Corporation dba Iowa Northwestern Railroad Company

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